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rate now. Unless we do something to hedge inflation we're going to have some serious problems in terms of local mill levies. We had an approach last year which I personally supported, both in this body and outside. It still think that was the solution to the problem. I still support that concept. Sometimes we learn to be able to roll with the tide. If a lot won't work at one time maybe a little to go along the way to bring Nebraska to a reasonable level of educational costs coming from the state, rather than the total reliance on property tax. I commend Senator Koch and Senator Duis for bringing forward a bill that does that systematically. As far as finding \$15 million, I read every day where we're going to spend millions of dollars for this, that, or the other. I think it's a step in the right direction. I'd ask you, because we're sparsity in numbers today, to give us consideration and move the bill forward.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mills.

SENATOR MILLS: Mr. President, I'd like to ask a question of Senator Warner, if I might. Senator Warner, I respect the work that you did on LB 772 of last year. I think you're probably as familiar with that bill as anyone in . . . probably is in the state. I would like to ask you, after having read LB 368 as it has been amended, very basically . . . I realize one difference of the qualifying mill levy has been changed in this bill from 772. Very basically would you explain to me the difference of 772 and 368, so that those people who last year, who perhaps did not support 772 might further understand 368.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the answer to your question, Senator Mills, at least in part, the concept of 368 . . . I'm only talking from a conceptual standpoint is comorable as to what we have in law now. This is obvious because it amends existing statutes. Legislation last year was comorable in concept. In that respect it is not different. It has some numerical differences, that is how the amount of money that would be insured per pupil. I don't believe the qualifying levies are significantly different. The dollar amount of total state aid, of course, is different. The bill last year was designed to provide, as everything was washed out, about 47 percent state support, 47 percent local and about 6 percent Federal. This is designed for ultimately to reach 40 percent, which is identical to what was designed in the legislation that was enacted in 1967, but never fully funded. That 40 percent is of the average of the state cost, not each individual school district. There really . . . I guess there are not significant difference, Senator Mills, that I can point to other than that this is a step-by-step period of time by which you get the 40 percent. Legislation a year ago reached a little higher plane of state support within two years. This will obviously take a longer period of time.

SENATOR MILLS: Senator Warner, I might ask the question then further from that, as you've expressed a similarity